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1. EMBASSY APPRECIATES INFORMATION IN REFTEL. EMBOFF
DISCUSSED SUBJECT ON APRIL 5 WITH RECENTLY APPOINTED DIREC-
TOR GENERAL OF ENERGY, RAMON LEONATO MARSAL, WHOSE RESPON-
SIBILITIES INCLUDE ADMINISTRATION OF SPANISH LICENSING
PROCEDURES FOR NUCLEAR PLANTS. LEONATO AGREED THAT MUTUAL
UNDERSTANDING OF U.S. AND SPANISH REGULATIONS AND PROCE-
DURES WAS VERY IMPORTANT FOR FUTURE COOPERATION IN NUCLEAR
ENERGY MATTERS. HE SAID THAT VISIT BY DEPARTMENT
TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE WAS EXCELLENT IDEA AND EXPRESSED
WILLINGNESS TO COOPERATE FULLY, INCLUDING SENDING THOSE
STAFF MEMBERS CONCERNED DIRECTLY WITH REGULATORY PROCESS
TO MEETING AT EMBASSY AS DESCRIBED BELOW. LEONATO ALSO
FELT THAT SUCH DISCUSSION WOULD BE OF INTEREST TO OTHER
SPANISH GOVERNMENT ENTITIES, SUCH AS JUNTA DE ENERGIA
NUCLEAR, AND TO PRIVATE SPANISH UTILITIES.

2. IN VIEW OF RECENT CHANGES IN SPANISH ENERGY ORGANI-
ZATION AND FACT THAT NATIONAL ENERGY PLAN NOW EXPECTED
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TO BE RELEASED BY END OF APRIL, WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT
WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE VISIT MADRID FIRST WEEK OF MAY.
SINCE MAY 1 IS HOLIDAY HERE, ARRIVAL ON MAY 2 WITH MEETINGS
WITH SPANISH SCHEDULED FOR MAY 3 WOULD APPEAR MOST
CONVENIENT FROM EMBASSY VIEWPOINT. WE WOULD SUGGEST
ORGANIZING MEETING AT EMBASSY WITH MORNING SESSION DEVOTED
TO U.S. PRESENTATION AND AFTERNOON SESSION FOR SPANISH

PRESENTATION FOLLOWED BY DISCUSSION AND QUESTIONS. WE WOULD PLAN SMALL RECEPTION FOR PARTICIPANTS AT CONCLUSION OF AFTERNOON SESSION.

3. IN ADDITION TO REPRESENTATIVES OF PRINCIPAL SPANISH GOVERNMENT ENTITIES INVOLVED IN NUCLEAR ENERGY AFFAIRS, WE WOULD PLAN TO INVITE REPRESENTATIVES OF SPANISH UTILITIES AND MAJOR U.S. NUCLEAR FIRMS IN SPAIN (WESTINGHOUSE, GE, BECHTEL, ETC.). WE WOULD ESTIMATE TOTAL ATTENDANCE AT ABOUT 20-25 PERSONS.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS ON TENTATIVE PLAN DESCRIBED ABOVE AS WELL AS CONFIRMATION THAT DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE WILL BE ABLE TO VISIT MADRID ON MAY 2 AND 3. IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO HAVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE NAME AND TITLE OF DEPARTMENT REP AND TRAVEL PLANS. STABLER

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